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Congressman Rodney Alexander

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ALEXANDER RESTORES FUNDING TO TWO NORTH LOUISIANA PORT PROJECTS

BOTH PORTS RESTORED TO FUNDING AFTER BEING "ZEROED OUT"

Washington, D.C. -- U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, announced today that he was able to restore funding to the Lake Providence Harbor and the Madison Parish port projects.

Alexander, a member of the House Appropriations Committee, was able restore \$442,000 to the Lake Providence Harbor and \$77,000 to Madison Parish.

Both projects were "zeroed out" in the president's budget earlier this year.

Alexander pushed the funding to be restored in the Energy and Water Subcommittee Appropriations Conference Bill, which was passed last night.

"These two ports are often overlooked by other members of congress," Alexander said.

"But I feel that these ports deserve federal funding as much as any other project. Our farmers and agriculture businesses depend on navigable waters to ship their projects, especially during harvest season. This funding will help achieve that goal."